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2	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
3	SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
4	Case No. 95-88888-brl
5	Adv. Proc. No. 08-01789-brl
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7	In the Matter of:
8	BERNARD L. MADOFF,
9	Debtor.
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11	SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,
12	Plaintiff,
13	v.
14	BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,
15	Defendant.
16	x
17	U.S. Bankruptcy Court
18	One Bowling Green
19	New York, New York
20	October 19, 2010
21	10:09 a.m.
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23	BEFORE:
24	HON. BURTON R. LIFLAND
25	U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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2	Hearing re: Trustee's Motion for an Order to Affirm Trustee's
3	Determinations Denying Claims of Claimants Without BLMIS
4	Accounts In Their Names, Namely, Investors in Feeder Funds
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customer you are speaking of a customer who has an account.

Why is that important? Is it important not only because the customers who have an account attain the status of being a priority claimant in a SIPA proceeding, but, also, those who have an allowed net equity in that proceeding are entitled not only to participate in the SIPA customer property fund but, also, to get a SIPA advance to the extent of their allowed claim.

Those are very important rights that are carefully laid out in the statute. Everything that we decide in this case, the trustee decides, emanates from a review of the books and records laying out that account and who is a customer pursuant to it.

So, my colleagues have pointed out, well, you could have a defrauding broker who gets the money, doesn't open an account and steals it. And that person would be deemed a customer. And they're quite correct. That's not what happened here. That's true. That's not what happened here. What happened here is is that -- no one denies this -- every one of the feeder funds that are before Your Honor this morning opened an account. And those are the accounts that should be honored as customer accounts and receive the benefits accorded to a SIPA customer.

The difference between what the objecting claimants are and the feeder funds themselves is very, very significant.

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